## BOY'S SHOOTING IS ACCIDENTAL

Soung Russell Smith Dying in Hospital as Result of Bullet Fired Into Stomach During Romp with Cousin.

BOTH BOYS WANTED TO SUPPRESS THE DETAILS.

In Children's Court Young Rogers Tells How Accident Happened, and Story Is Verified -Wanted to Be Soldier.

Dying in the Norwegian Hospital in Brooklyn, Russell Smith, a boy of thir-teen, who was shot by his cousin, James Rogers, a boy of fifteen, refused to tell why Rogers shot him, and where the weapon is that gave him his

Smith, who lives at Keyport, N. J. has been on a visit to his cousin, at the home of the latter's parents. No The Fifty-third street, Brooklyn. boys have been thought to be the best of friends, and when they were heard scuffling about in their room early this morning it was thought that they were romping. Suddenly there was the soun of a pistol shot.

Shields His Coustn.

Rogers's parents ran to the room and there lay Smith with a great wound in las stomach. He was not unconscious. Sheriffs Posses, Pinkertons, In-"Who shot you?" was asked. "I won't tell," replied the injured and

dying boy. "I was shot, and that is all ere is to tt." Smith was taken to the Norwegian Hospital, and there he was questioned further. It was seen that he was fatally injured and that death was a matter of a few hours.

You are going to die," said the phyeiclan. "You had better tell who sho you.

Will Not Admit Fight. "I will not tell anything," the boy answered.

Detective Marks, of the Fourth stree polmice station, was sent to investigate the shooting. He found that immedi after the shot was heard Rogers disappeared. He was found by the detective in another part of the "Did you shoot your cousin?" aske

the detective?

"I won't tell you anything about it," replied the boy. "I won't tell anything if will go to jail, but that won't mak me talk." ne talk."
Rogers was asked where the weapowas that had been used. Again the bo was that had been used. Again the bo was reticent. "I won't tell you anything about it. I won't even admit that there was a

Won't even admit that there was a pistol."

Both boys bear excellent reputations. They have been the best of friends since young Smith has been visiting in Brooklyn. They have slept together and have been constant companions. According to the little information gleaned by the police the two boys arose at about 7 o'clock this morning and the usual romp they engaged in every morning after arising was an progress. It could not be learned whether a fight started or whether the shooting was accidental.

It is not known where the pistol came from that was used, the Rogers boy's parents not knowing that he even had a pistol. iston.
It is said at the hospital that the bulentered Smith's body at the pit of
stomach. It passed nearly through
body and cannot be probel for.

Scared in Children's Court. Not until he was taken to the Chil-

Not until he was taken to the Children's Court would young Rogers consent to talk. He then showed that he was badly frightened.

"The whole thing was an accident," he said. "I want to be a soidier and have collected a lot of pistols and knives and swords. I kept these in my room and did not let my people know how many I had.

This morning my cousin and I were romping about the room after we had got out of bed and I began showing him may pistols and swords. Then we began playing soldier. I handed him one of my prettiest pistols and in some way it went off, shooting him.

"I was so frightened that I ran to another part of the house. When my father came in and found Russell lying there shot in the stomach he began throwing the pistols and swords and things out of the window. They were found there by persons passing on the street and carried a way. That is the street and carried a way. That is the steason they could not be found."

Boy's Story Verified.

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The boy's story was borne out by a statement from the dying boy.

"Every word of that is true," said young Smith. "I didn't tell at first because I thought it might get Jimmie in trouble. He didn't mean to shoot me. He is my partner." Rogers Tells His Story.

Young Rogers, when arraigned before dagistrate Wilkin, in the Children's Court to-day, told the following story of the shooting:

"Yesterday my cousin Russell and his mother came to visit us. They were going to spend the evening with other relatives, but father persuaded Mrs. Smith to let Russell stay, so that we gould be together to-day.

"When I came home at night I round Russell in my bed and woke him up. We talked for several hours about my joining the cadet corps and how fine it was for me to meet soldiers who had been through the war.

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"When we got up at 7 o'clock this morning we began to fence. After we had fenced awhile, I showed Russell a mamber of my guns and pistols. One was a big buildog revolver, which had been given to me by a soldier who had fought in the Philippines.

"Russell was sitting on one side of the bed and I was sitting on the other. I had this revolver in my hand, when all of a sudden it went off." I don't think I pulled the trigger, and I don't see how it went off."

that I will not assure her recovery.
That is as far as I care to go at pres-

RUPPERT ROBBED OF \$500.

German Welcomes Stranger Who "Knew" His Father. Frederick Ruppert, of No. 40 Rayme Frederick Ruppert, of No. 40 Ravine street, Jersey City Heights, reported togay to the Hoboken and local police that he had been robbed of \$500 by a courteous and benevicient-looking stranger.

"Hello Schmitz," said the stranger to Ruppert in German. "Schmitz of Frankfort, nicht var?"

"Nein; I am Ruppert von Berlin," said Prederick.

"Oh, I know your father," said the stranger.

The men were digging in an excavation when the rope of the elevator used in hoisting dirt snapped and the lift dropped so suddenly that the men had stranger.

The men then had several drinks, and under the elevator.

oth, I know your latter, said the stranger.

The men then had several drinks, and when they parted the stranger embraced Ruppert in a fond farewell.

Ruppert had \$800 in bills in his pocket.

When he returned home the pocket was empty. He is a married man and has led bean in this country. Week's Imports, \$2,460,460. Total imports of dry goods at the port of New York for this week were valued

BOY DYING FROM BULLET WOUND AND HIS COUSIN WHO ACCIDENTALLY FIRED THE SHOT



# BOY GIANT'S FIST

Sixteen-Year-Old Lad Attacks So Little Was Done in the One of Capt. Brennan's Ward Men and Frescoes His Face with Fretwork of Bruises.

Capt. Brennan's wardman at the Macplainant against Frederick Seibel, aged ers for fast work. dians and Bloodhounds Have Thus Far Failed to Track Him Through Adirondack Forests.

quent in corroboration of his state Sheriff Steenburge and Attorneys James n.ent. One eye was framed with a H. Cantwell and John P. Badger are bright blue ridge, three lumps as big going over to-day the reports received as hen's eggs surmounted his forehead during the night from twenty men, representing as many posses which have kaleidoscopic fretwork of scratches and been scouring the forest hereabouts for bruises.

SANTA CLARA, N. Y., Sept. 25 .-

the murderer of Orrando P. Dexter.

the stalkers had been analyzed. "It

The confidence of the authorities tha

Dexter's slayer will be discovered is no

shared by dwellers in these parts. It i

noticeable that the townspeople spea

with utter indifference of Mr. Dexter

fate, even while admitting that his kill

One of the business men of this place

said to-day that the wonder was not

that Mr. Dexter had been shot, but

that he escaped as long as he did, con-

sidering the general feeling that ex-

isted against him. The merchant added

"It is more than likely that the iden-

will not lack help throughout the re-

DOCTORS COUNSEL

OVER MRS. DAVIS

BUFFALO, Sept. 26.-A consultation of physicians has been called by Dr. Charles G. Stockton, who is attending Mrs. Jefferson Davis, widow of the President of the Southern Confederacy.

who is seriously ill here.

Mrs. Davis arrived here last Monday,

and soon after the services of a physician became necessary. Mrs. Davis is

staying at Castle Inn, once the home of President Fillmore, and while her all-

ment is due to some affection of the stomach no announcement has yet been

made by the physicians as to its exact

Her condition is such that Dr. Stock-

ton, who is a specialist, after having

"Mrs. Davis is very ill-so ill, in fact,

called another physician in consultation,

ELEVATOR FELL ON THEM.

Three Men Badly Injured While

Working in an Excavation. PATERSON, N. J., Sept. 25.—Three

men are in St. Joseph's Hospital suf-fering from injuries received by the fall

character.

said:

O. S. Lawrence, Chairman of the

gion to evade his pursuers."

sumption.

Shindler, according to his story, was "If the people will only be patient about to get off a One Hundred and little while I think we will be able to Thirty-eighth street crosstown car last about to get off a One Hundred and make good our promise to bring Mr night, when the boy blocked his way. Dexter's assassin to justice," sai He tried to push the boy aside, but the Sheriff Steenburge after the reports o lad would not budge. Finally he flashed his shield. This had no terrors for the one thing to suspect a man of murde youth, who remarked quietly: and another thing to prove him guilty "Why, I can like a police captain, and another thing to prove him guilty

We will not make any false moves and with that reached out and struck When we act it will not be upon pre Shindler over the eye with a fist like a

The boy is a young giant and in the up a wide area of the street with the wardman until three policemen interfered and saved their compatriot. The boy did not have a mark on him. Magistrate Baker fined Scibel \$5. As

he paid the fine the boy remarked: "It was worth a fiver to do up wardman.

BAD FALL FROM UPPER BERTH. Charles L. Cooke, thirty-six years old, of No. 157 Woodlawn avenue, Saratoga, tity of Dexter's slayer is known to many people in these parts, but no reward will tempt them to reveal it, and in case the man is hard pressed he steamer was on her way to Pier 32, North River, this morning, and dislocated his right shoulder. When the steamer reached her dook Cooke was at-Board of Supervisors of St. Lawrence tended by an ambulance surgeon from County, has notified Sheriff Steenburge the Hudson Street Hospital and left for

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## HORSES MOVE TO SCARS POLICEMAN WESTCHESTERTRACK

Way of Early Morning Work at the Gravesend Racetrack To-Day.

SHEEPSHEAD BAY, Sept. 25 .- The pleasant weather and good track that prevailed at the Bay this morning oflougal street station, appeared as com- fered but little temenation to the train-

begun, and during the day many racers filed out of the track bound for the to-day, who he charged with beating Westchester course. Among the number were the J. E. Widener, J. A Drake, J. W. Colt, J. R. Hitchcock Mr. Chamblet and other strings.

A part of the W. C. Whitney lot eff also, and the others will remain until the Brighton Beach meeting is over. R. W. Walden's The Southerner and Invincible, going together, covered six furlongs in 1.17. Trainer Joyner al pace, and the great racer showed to

#### LOWE AS SELEE'S RIVAL.

CHICAGO, Sept. 25.-Bobby Lowe has been engaged to manage the Chicago Americans next year. Lowe played second base in the National League for over ten years under Selee's management. He quit playing this year owing to an injured leg.

CONVENTION ON A STEAMER.

Shaw, Ridgely and Roberts Abourd as Guests of Hankers.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 .- Secretary Shaw and his daughter, Comptroller Ridgely and Treasurer Roberts left yeserday for a two days' outing down the Potomac as the guests of the Bankers' ssociations of Maryland and the Disrict of Columbia, who eft here on a teamer for their annual joint conven

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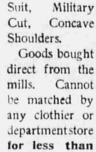
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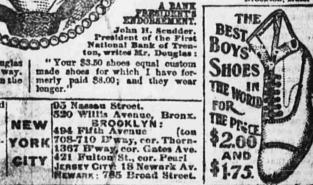
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